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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Police in New Orleans had a battle for several hours with a desperate negro; he was finally shot and killed after the house in which he was besieged had been set on fire. —— The Senate spent the entire day in executive session considering the Colombian canal treaty. —— Reported that the Louisville & Nashville intends to build a line from Knoxville to Chattanooga. —— It is stated that not less than twenty per cent. of the virgin turpentine boxes and ten per cent. of the old boxes in Florida were destroyed by the recent storm. —— A premature explosion at a granite quarry near Columbia, S. C., caused death of three and injury of several other workmen. —— The President has signed the Elkins rebate bill. —— A multitude of people attended the celebration of the 25th anniversary of Pope Leo at St. Peter's in Rome. —— Ten lives were lost by the burning of a hotel at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. —— Schooner Shubert, wrecked near Body's Island, is a total loss. —— Jury in the case of Arthur Bishop at Charlotte, N. C., are still out, unable to agree on a verdict. —— The Diamond Shoals lightship lost all her cables and anchors in the hurricane of Monday and Wednesday. —— In a railroad collision at Galena, Ill., three persons were killed. —— Venezuela complains that the ships taken from her by the allies have not yet been returned. —— The steamship Cedric, the largest vessel in the world, arrived at New York from Liverpool on her maiden voyage. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 2½@2½ per cent; cotton—steady at 10.05c; flour was steady with a moderate local demand; wheat, spot firm, No. 2 red 81½; corn—spot steady, No. 2 60c; oats—spot steady, No. 2 43½; rosin firm; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 20.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 28 degrees. 8 P. M., 44 degrees: maximum, 51 degrees, minimum, 25 degrees; mean, 38 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 3.36 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Thursday 33 feet and falling.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—For North Carolina: Fair Saturday. Sunday cloudy, probably rain near the coast; fresh east to northwinds.

STORM WARNING

Northeast signals were ordered up at 11 P. M. at Tamps, Fla. A storm was evidently forming in the Gulf of Mexico, west of Key West Winds likely to be high from the northeast.

Port Almanac—February 21.

Sun Rises	6.43 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.46 P. M.
Day's Length	11 . 02 M.
High Water at Southport	3.50 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	6.30 P. M.

They have discovered a spider in Mexico that pursues and destroys the cotton ball weevil. The Texans are sending it invitations to come over and locate in Texas.

Mr. Carnegie says he was never happier than when earning $25 a month as a telegraph operator. We take his word for it, but then he has never shown any hankering to get back into the telegraph business.

A Paris paper discussing the Crum question charges the Senate committee with a "moral slump," in turning Crum down. Judging from our conception of a French moral slump that editor must have an awful opinion of our collection of senatorial dignitaries.

If New Mexico and Arizona come into the Union as one state, as proposed by some, it will be the next in area to Texas, and about as large as all of New England with New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia added.

Our United States Senators use all sorts of things. Among the items charged up to them last year was 7,000 pounds of hay. It doesn't follow from this that there are some asses in the Senate, although some of the speeches made there and this hay might look that way.

"The negroes are raising money to fight the Virginia constitution." Yes, and the whites are raising money to educate these same negroes. And do not forget that Jim Hayes, who made the incendiary speech in Washington, is an "educated" negro lawyer whose home is in Virginia.

The Minnesota politician does not stand well in the estimation of some people out there, one of whom, a woman, recently died and left a million dollars as a fund for the relief of the poor, but provided in her will that no politician should have anything to do in the administration of the fund.

EVENTS AT Y. M. C. A.

State Secretary Knebel Here Doing Special Work in Boys' Department.

A BASKET BALL GAME.

Reds Won from Yellows by Good Score. Colonial Tea by Ladies' Auxiliary. Rev. F. M. Shamberger Will Speak Sunday Afternoon.

The game of basket ball at the Y. M. C. A. last night was attended by a large and enthusiastic crowd. The players were all in fine fettle and a very exciting game took place. Fine plays in goal throwing and guard work were numerous and the friends of each team were kept busy cheering for their favorites.

The guard work of Richardson and the goal throwing of Little and W. Dosher were the features of the game. The score was 29 to 9 in favor of the Reds over the Yellows.

On Monday evening the Ladies' Auxiliary will give a social in the form of a Colonial tea. The Y. M. C. A. building will be decorated for the occasion. No charge will be made for any refreshments, but all will be expected to contribute a free-will offering. The ladies are raising money to refurnish and re decorate the Association parlors and will give the friends an opportunity of assisting in this way. A splendid programme of amusements has been arranged, and all who attend will be pleasantly entertained. All the people of Wilmington are invited.

Rev. F. M. Shamburger will deliver his third address on Sunday afternoon, at the regular Sunday afternoon meeting.

The meeting for boys yesterday was attended by thirty boys who heard with much interest the fine address of Mr. A. G. Kenebel, State secretary. The meetings are growing and are becoming a power for good in the life of the boys.

GUESTS ARRIVING AT AIRLIE.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Will Entertain Two Weeks at Their Southern Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones, their daughter, Miss Sadie Jones, and a number of their New York society friends arrived yesterday morning and last night on private cars 300 and 302. The party took trolley cars at the Front street station and went at once to the handsome Jones' estate on Wrightsville Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones will entertain at "Airlie" for two weeks in hospitable manner, but before the middle of March they expect to sail for Europe to spend several months abroad.

Charges of Larceny.

A multitude of charges against Garfield Pearson, colored, were aired in justice Fowler's court yesterday with the result that the negro was committed to jail in default of bond to answer most of them at the March term of the Superior Court. Son Lucas, colored, implicated in one of the charges, was also held in default of bail and Tobe Jenkins, colored, was held for carrying concealed one of the razors stolen by the principal in the difficulty. A part of the property stolen was recovered. Pearson entered houses by means of a false key and stole whatever came to hand.

Star Course Entertainment.

The Katharine Ridgeway Concert Company will appear at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday evening, as the very best number of the Star Course. For an excellent entertainment, the Ridgeway Company is said to stand at the head of all Lyceum companies. Miss Ridgeway is by nature an artist, and with a voice of rich quality, resonant and flexible, and a resourceful dramatic intensity, she always pleases and is a marked favorite. The company is supported by Mr. Geo. W. Jonkinis, the former tenor of the Meredith's church of Brooklyn, and Mr. Percy F. Hunt, who is said to possess a baritone voice of rare richness and range. Box sheet opens this morning at DeRosset's.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Sunday evening at the First Baptist church Dr. Blackwell will preach upon the subject "Citizen George Washington, His Faith in God, the Source of his Greatness."

— The advance agent and one of the proprietor's of the "Hello Bill" Company which comes to the theatre to-day week, matinee and night, is in the city arranging the detail work for the attraction.

A State B. & L. League.

Charlotte *Observer*, 20th: "The local building and loan associations of Charlotte formed last night an association to be called the Charlotte Building and Loan League. Mr. S. Wittkowsky was elected president and Mr. P. M. Brown vice president, and Mr. E. L. Keesler, secretary and treasurer. The object of the league is to endeavor to form a State league and to enlighten the public so that it will not be taken in by fake institutions."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Academy—"The Outpost."
A. D. Brown—To the public.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Sample distributer.
Setter Puppy—Strayed or stolen.
D. S. Raville—Choice settings of eggs.

ON THE RIVER FRONT

News of a Day in the Markets and Shipping at the Port of Wilmington.

THE STEAMERS IN DISTRESS.

Stag and Monviso Each Floated About Midnight Thursday—The Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores—Two Schooners Arrived—Notes.

The unknown vessel reported ashore night before last on Frying Pan Shoals proved to be the big Italian tramp steamer *Monviso*, 2,737 tons, Capt. Cremonini, with cargo of cotton and grain and bound from New Orleans Feb. 14, to Naples, via Norfolk or Newport News for coal. The *Monviso* floated at 11:30 o'clock Thursday night and proceeded yesterday. She came off without assistance, though Wilmington tugs offered their services. It is believed that no damage resulted from the accident. She is a new steamer and was on her initial long voyage.

The British steamer *Stag*, Capt. Boulman, from Huelva for Wilmington with a cargo of pyrites for the Virginia Chemical Company, was floated Thursday about midnight, with no damage of consequence. She went ashore on Battery Island shoal while proceeding into Southport harbor day before yesterday. It was expected that the steamer would proceed up to the city last night.

The Bureau of Navigation recommends that the auxiliary cruiser *Hornet* be not sent back to Wilmington for use by the North Carolina Naval Brigade, but that she be kept at Norfolk as a tender to the receiving ship *Franklin*. It is also recommended that all the converted gunboats now in possession of the naval militia of the several States be returned to the Government

Cotton receipts for the week ended yesterday were 5,617 bales against 5,664 bales same week last year. The receipts since Sept. 1st have been 309,838 bales, considerably more than was received during the entire crop year preceding. The price remains the same. Yesterday's receipts were 699 bales against 434 bales same day last year.

Although there was a falling off yesterday in the week's receipts of all naval stores except tar, there is a good sale gain in all items for the crop year to date as will appear from the following figures: Spirits, 18,180; rosin, 95,183; tar, 56,842; crude, 29,091. Last year: Spirits, 16,193; rosin, 94,359; tar, 55,289; crude, 19,324.

The schooner *Greenleaf Johnson*, Capt. Robinson, and the *Jno. W. Dana*, Capt. Fossett, arrived yesterday for cargoes of lumber from the Cape Fear Lumber Co. The first named is from New York and the *Dana* is from Boston.

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE THEATRE.

New Scenery, Painted by Messrs. Barras and DePew—An Order for Tickets.

Messrs. Vallery Barras and Thomas E. DePew, scenic artists with the Mabel Paige Company now playing at the theatre, have just completed the painting of two curtains for Messrs. Cowan Bros., lessees of the Academy of Music. They were used last night for the first time and made decidedly a favorable impression, reflecting great credit upon Messrs. Barras and DePew, who are popular members of the Mabel Paige cast. One of them is a realistic street scene; the other a handsome rocky pass.

Next Summer Messrs. Barras and DePew will be engaged in painting other scenery for the Messrs. Cowan Bros., who are already making preparations for the season of 1903 04. Yesterday they placed a large order for next season's tickets with Mr. Philip C. Snow, of the Globe Ticket Co., Philadelphia. The same establishment prints the tickets for use on the cars of the C. R., L. & P. Co., of this city.

CLOSE OF THE ENGAGEMENT.

Mabel Paige Company's Last Appearance at Academy To-day and To-night.

Last night the Mabel Paige Company gave a splendid production of "Under Two Flags" at the Academy and the performance was enjoyed by almost a "standing room only" audience. To-day the company will bid farewell to Wilmington play-goers for this season. Two performances will be given to-day—matinee and night. This afternoon the popular drama, "Brother Against Brother," will be presented and to-night the bill will be J. K. Emmet's greatly beloved play, "The Outpost."

Tickets for the matinee, as well as night, are now on sale at Plummer's.

In the Interest of Missions.

Rev. John F. Preston, of Greenville, S. C., will preach at the Sunday morning service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church in the interest of "The Forward Movement in Missions." Rev. Mr. Preston is the guest of Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D.

Improving the Turnpike.

Very good progress is being made on the improvement of the Wrightsville turnpike by the county convict squad. The work is now delayed somewhat by a break-down of the traction engine, but this will be repaired in a day or two.

DELIGHTFUL SOIREE.

Charming Affair Given Last Night in Germania Hall by Miss Cammie Lord.

MANY PRETTY FEATURES.

Complimentary to Dancing Classes—Bal Poudre, George Washington and Valentine Party Combined—Those Who Participated in Fete.

One of the most charming social events of the year was the soiree and bal poudre given last night in Germania Hall by Miss Cammie Lord to her dancing class and a few friends. The decorations were a very pretty arrangement of wild smilax and pink hearts, festooned from the chandeliers and the music was by Hollowbush's splendid orchestra. The affair partook of the nature of a bal poudre, George Washington and Valentine party combined. The dancers were attractively attired in Colonial costume and the features were at once unique and captivating.

Miss Lord was assisted in giving the very delightful function by Miss Bessie Gore and two hundred and fifty spectators watched with intense interest the execution of the many pretty little fancy dances and figures. The participants numbered eighty-eight and the dancing was kept up until midnight.

The opening march and special feature of the evening, while the orchestra played a patriotic air, was led by Valentine and Miss Valentine, impersonated by Miss Elizabeth Rountree and Master Tom Furpless, aged four years respectively. They danced a pretty little figure and delivered valentines to each of the large number of guests.

Other features were the "Highland Fling" by Misses Sallie Wright, Daisy Furpless, Mabel McEachern, Myrl McEachern and Lottie May Bennett.

"Skirt Dance" by Misses Virginia Taylor, Katie VonGlahn, Mildred Smith, Loris Hardin, Louise Corinth, Nellie Savage and Kathryn Vollers.

"Minuette," by Misses Louise Grant, Anna Grant, Myrtle Vollers and Masters Hugh Calder, Wm. C. Lord and Stone Pulliam.

"Fisher's Hornpipe," by Masters Hugh Calder, Wm. C. Lord and Stone Pulliam.

The Virginia Reel was danced by all as a grand finale to one of the most successful events ever given by Miss Lord, upon whom many compliments were showered by the large number of spectators last night. The participants in the pleasures of the evening were as follows:

Miss Elise Emerson, with Richard Grant; Miss Delmar Burbanks, with Joe Jacobs; Miss Daisy Burbanks, with Eugene LeGrand; Miss Annette Munds, with Walter Kenly; Miss Edith Butler, with David Struthers; Miss Olive Quince, with Henry Taylor; Miss Bessie Sears, with Frederick Munds; Miss Hattie McEachern, with Lawrence Pinner; Miss Athalia LeGrand, with Willie Parsley; Miss Sue Brent Prince, with Edward Prince; Miss Katie Kelly, with Purley Genrette; Miss Ella Jacobs, with Louis Belden; Miss Jane L Green, with W. Gore, Miss Julia McLaurin, with William Munds; Miss Helen Clark, with Haughton James; Miss Lina DeRosset, with Fred Harper; Miss Sue Catlett, with Jim Holmes; Miss Bertie Hanson, with Fred Banck; Miss Nellie Savage, with James Durham; Miss Loris Hardin, with Hugh Calder; Miss Louise Corinth, with Stone Pulliam; Miss Elizabeth Rountree, with Tom Furpless; Miss Virginia Taylor, with William C. Lord; Miss Lena Kure, Andrew Kure; Miss Jennie Furpless, T. Sears; Miss Etta Furpless, Paul Cantwell; Miss Mamie May Rutland, Victor Grainger; Miss M. Vollers, Charles Grainger; Miss Thurber Gore, Clarence LeGrand; Miss Amoret Lord, James Gause; Miss Theo. Cantwell, Clem Brown; Miss Lucy Burkheimer, Leon Pinner; Miss Virginia Bailey, Willie Peck; Misses Annie Kelly, Daisy Furpless, Eleanor Gilchrist, Anna Grant, Julia Owen, Kathryn Vollers, Mildred Smith, Louise Vollers, Mabel McEachern, Lottie May Bennett, Myrl McEachern, Louise Grant, Katie VonGlahn, Sallie Wright, Miss Mary Brent Stewart, of New York, and Mr. H. G. Smallbones, Jr.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY E. JOHNSON.

A Good Woman Has Passed Away on Myrtle Grove Sound—The Funeral.

Friends in the city yesterday heard with sorrow of the death of Mrs. Mary Etta Johnson, wife of Mr. Andrew Johnson, who passed away Thursday night at 10:55 o'clock, at her home on Myrtle Grove Sound.

Mrs. Johnson was about 50 years of age and was a woman of great Christian character. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Henry Ottoway, of Wilmington, and Miss Sallie Johnson, of Myrtle Grove; a brother, Dr. Bishop, of Washington, N. C., and two sisters, Mrs. Helen Sheetz, of Fayetteville, and Mrs. Craig, of Myrtle Grove. Mrs. Sheetz, of Fayetteville, arrived last night to attend the funeral, which will be conducted at 3 o'clock this afternoon, with interment in the family burying ground.

Woodworkers To-night.

The Carpenters' and Joiners' Union is anxious to have every white wood worker in the city attend the mass meeting in Pythian Castle Hall, in the Murchison Bank building, to-night at 8 o'clock. General Organizer J. P. Ogletree will address the meeting.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Meeting Last Night at the Y. M. C. A. Adopted Resolutions Upon Liquor Traffic.

AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Two Representatives from Each Ward to Have General Control—Address by Rev. C. G. Vardell, Red Springs. Discussion of Whiskey, Etc.

Members and friends of the Anti-Saloon League recently formed in the city under the State plan of organization, gathered last night in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. to the number of about one hundred, many of them being ladies in hearty accord with the spirit of the movement.

Mr. P. Pearsall called the meeting to order, stating its object; strong resolutions in the nature of a platform for the local organization were adopted; an executive committee consisting of two members from each ward was appointed; an address by Rev. C. G. Vardell, of Red Springs, N. C., was listened to with much interest, and a general discussion of the various phases of the liquor question now agitating the public mind was indulged in.

The executive committee from the several wards was appointed as follows: B. F. Hall, R. H. Beery, W. H. Sprunt, J. C. Gore, C. C. Rice, J. B. Taylor, W. M. Cumming, R. W. Price, George H. James and J. B. Falls.

The adjournment was to next Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium.

The resolution or platform adopted was as follows:

We request the members of the General Assembly not to exempt New Hanover county from any anti-liquor legislation which they may see fit to enact.

We urge the passage of the London bill with such amendments as the temperance leaders on the ground may deem wise to accept.

We heartily endorse that section of the new Revenue Act reported from the Committee which puts a tax of six hundred dollars on retail liquor dealers for county and State purposes, to be divided equally.

We regret the stand taken by our representative in the legislature against what we consider the best interests of our community in favoring the saloons which are largely responsible for the worst evils in our midst, such as immorality, gambling, drunkenness, idleness and lawlessness, causing an increase of our taxes and both public and private charities and tending to debauch public conscience.

We warmly endorse the *News and Observer* in its able efforts to serve the best interests of the State in this matter.

WILL NOT BE FOR COLORED.

Meeting To-night in Pythian Castle Hall for White Woodworkers—A Card.

Editor of the Star:

DEAR SIR:—Your local and advertisement in your issue of Feb. 19th, relative to a meeting to be held in Pythian Castle Hall Saturday night, Feb. 21st, would tend to lead some to believe that this meeting would be open to colored people. I have been reliably informed that such is not the case and no colored people will be allowed at the meeting. My informant also says that Mr. Ogletree is no organizer of colored unions. Trusting that you will find space for this, yours, very truly,

JAMES D. NUTT,
Chm'n Joint Hall Com., K. of P.

Norfolk Truck Damaged.

Norfolk *Virginian-Pilot*, 20th: "Reports from the Western Branch trucking section show that the early crops have suffered considerable damage from the cold snap. Radishes, which were getting to be pretty well advanced in growth and would have been on the market by the latter part of March, are reported to be entirely killed out, and will have to be re-sown. Peas are also badly affected. The early planting of potatoes seems to have weathered the cold spell without damage. The thermometer dropped yesterday morning to 14 degrees and marked the coldest weather of the Winter."

Federal Point Fence Law.

In response to inquiries the STAR will state that from the best conception obtainable here, the recent bill passed by the General Assembly to repeal the no-fence law as applied to Federal Point township, this county, carries with it a mandatory provision that the fence around the premises is to be built by a tax upon the land embraced in the township. This tax, it is feared, will be so heavy as to make the law inoperative.

Arrested for Embezzlement.

Upon a warrant from Chadbourn, N. C., Luke Duncan, a young white man, who formerly drove a delivery wagon for the Standard Oil Company, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff W. H. Cox. The warrant was sworn out by T. B. Smith, of Chadbourn, who telegraphed that an officer for Duncan would arrive today.

The Utley Appeal.

Fayetteville *Observer*, 20th: "The Utley appeal came up before Judge Cooke in the Superior Court this morning for the Judge's final passing upon the papers in the defendant's appeal and the State's answer before being sent up to the Supreme Court. The morning was devoted to the arguments of counsel on the admissibility or non-admissibility of certain objections and legal points contained in the papers prepared for the Supreme Court. This afternoon the trial of the civil docket was resumed. To-morrow morning the arguments in the Utley case will be resumed."

— Dr. Geo. F. Lucas, of Currie, returned home yesterday.

WATTS' BILL PASSED

Final Reading in the House Was Reached at 11:30 O'clock Last Night.

THE VOTE WAS 48 TO 30.

Thirty Amendments to Exempt Certain Counties Voted Down—The London Measure in Senate—Senators Elective by the People.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 20.—The House of Representatives spent three hours on the Watts bill to-day trying to reach a vote on the third reading, but adjourned by limitation at the conclusion of the roll-call ballot on the last amendment offered, which was a provision by King designed to prevent the shipment of packages of liquor by express companies, etc., into prohibited territory, making the place of delivery the place of sale.

The fight was a stubborn one, opponents of the bill being in favor of the amendment. The roll-call showed a majority of three for the amendment, but sufficient votes were changed at the earnest solicitation of Watts to defeat it before the vote was announced. Other amendments voted down were to exempt certain counties from the operation of the bill.

In the House to-night the Watts bill passed final reading, the vote being 48 to 30. Much time was consumed with roll call ballots and arguments on amendments exempting various counties. The roll calls were by insistence of Morton, of New Hanover, who has led the fight against the bill. Thirty amendments of this kind were offered and it required from 8 to 11:30 o'clock to vote them down and get to the first vote.

The Senate devoted some time to the discussion of the London bill and substitute, no vote being reached. Senators White and Lamb advocated the bill strongly. Norris spoke for the substitute and Justice for the London bill, provided the sixth section, regulating the method of procuring license in towns where saloons are allowed, was modified. The section provides that one third of the voters must sign a petition for the saloon. The discussion went over until to-morrow.

A joint resolution was introduced in the Senate by Godwin, at the request of the New York *American*, providing that application be made to Congress under Article 5 of the U. S. Constitution, for a constitutional convention to amend the Constitution by making Senators elective in the several States by a direct vote of the people. It provides that the Secretary of State ask the co-operation of the Legislatures of other States.

Among the bills introduced in the House were:

Drewry, to amend the charter of Raleigh, extending the corporate limits.

Stevenson, to provide an appropriation to the State Hospital.

Dockery, to authorize the Commissioners of Richmond county to issue bonds for road improvement.

Vann, for the relief of cyclone sufferers in Hertford county.

McNeill, for the improvement of the public roads of Scotland county.

The committee appointed to investigate complaints of the bad condition of the convict camp at Dover reported that they found the quantity of food sufficient, but lacking in variety. The bedding was filthy and unfit for use; but they did not find Superintendent Mann in any way blamable for the poor condition.

The Child Labor bill, in the Senate, was passed on third reading, with an amendment by Brown, that the clause requiring that 66 hours constitute a week's work, apply only to persons under 18 years of age.

Senator Glenn introduced a resolution empowering legislative committees to call for vouchers in examining State institutions, just as they do from the State auditor or treasurer.

The committee on Insane Asylums to-day completed the appropriation for these institutions. The amount asked for was $786,199.95, while the amount appropriated is $541,266 95, which represents a scale down of $244,833. The amounts apportioned are: Morganton Asylum, $257,000; Raleigh Asylum, $163,100; Goldsboro Asylum (colored), $107,766.95; Dangerous Insane in the State prison, $13,500. Total, $541,266 95. The bill making the appropriation was introduced in the House by Stevenson.

Eighty-four new bills were introduced in the Senate and House, but nearly all were of a local character.

THE STEAMBOAT MERGER OFF.

President Lisman Withdraws City of Fayetteville from Traffic Agreement.

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville *Observer* says:

"The three steamboat companies, which ply the Cape Fear between Fayetteville and Wilmington, to-wit: The People's and Cape Fear Transportation Company, the Merchants and Farmers Transportation Company, and the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company, which have, for the past month, been working under the same management on a "community of interest" basis, will hereafter run as independent lines, Mr. A. A. Lisman, President of the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company, who arrived here from New York last night, to-day withdrawing his boat, *The City of Fayetteville*, from the combination.

"The People's and Merchants and Farmers companies will hereafter use their old wharves, the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company using the new wharf exclusively.

"President Lisman left for Wilmington this afternoon, on business connected with his boat company, and will return next week, to arrange for the running of his boat as an independent line."

— The fire at 2:30 o'clock this morning was at the residence of Mrs. Morris, near Ninth and Chesnut street. The damage is thought to have been only slight.

TO THE PUBLIC!

Having had a total loss by fire, of my entire stock of goods on the morning of February 11th, and the destruction of the building as well, I have opened my office at No. 113 North Front street, formerly occupied by The Murchison National Bank. Desirous of adjusting all my claims, I'll ask those indebted to me for the prompt payment of their accounts. This is absolutely necessary in order that I may again resume business. Thanking a generous public for past patronage, I am respectfully,

A. D. BROWN.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Mary Borden is the guest of Mrs. E. R. Wootten, of Rocky Mount.

— Mrs. J. G. Gall, of Weldon, returned yesterday after a visit to Mrs. W. A. Risch.

— J. O. Carr, Esq., went up to Clinton yesterday to attend Sampson Superior Court, Judge R. R. Peebles presiding.

— Mr. Jno. F. Tobin, senior member of the firm of Tobin Bros., plumbers, Charleston, S. C., was in the city on business yesterday.

— Mrs. Duncan McEachern and daughters, Misses Daisy and Lucy, left Thursday afternoon for New Orleans to attend the Mardi-Gras celebration.

— Newbern *Journal*, 20th: "Rev. T. M. N. George and Mr. G. H. Roberts went to Wilmington yesterday to attend a meeting of one of the committees of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina."

SUICIDE NEAR TARBORO, N. C.

Middle-Aged Farmer Took Laudanum and Ended His Life—Despondency.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

TARBORO, N. C., Feb. 20.—John R. Pitt, residing on the James Wiggins place, several miles from town, died this morning from the effects of laudanum taken last night with alleged suicidal intent. An empty laudanum bottle was found by his side when discovered by his wife and in his coat pocket was another bottle untouched.

Physicians were summoned, but all effort to arouse him was futile. Despondency was presumably the cause. Deceased was a farmer, forty-eight years old and leaves a wife and three children.

Church Notices.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor. 11 A. M., "Be of good courage." 7:30 P. M., "Citizen George Washington, his faith in God the source of his greatness."

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. John M. Wells, Ph. D., pastor. Divine services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. C. G. Vardell will preach at the morning service. Sunday school at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited to all services. Seats free.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor. Divine services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8:00 P. M. The public invited. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick Sts. Rev. J. L. Vipperman, pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Front street near Queen. Rev. C. W. Trawick, pastor. Divine services to-morrow at 11 a. M. and 7:30 P. M. At the evening services the "Forward Movement" in missions will be presented by Mr. J. F. Preston.

Bladen Street Methodist Church, corner of Fifth and Bladen streets. Rev. Geo. H. Webster, pastor. Services Sunday 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, J. B. Taylor, superintendent, 3:30 P. M; Mid-week praise service Wednesday 7:30 P. M. A cordial welcome to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8.00 p. m. Sunday School, W. B. Cooper, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. Morning prayer and address, 11 A. M. Evening prayer and sermon, 7:45 P. M. Sunday School, 3.30 P. M.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster. Services Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Young Men's meeting Friday night at 8 o'clock.

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Carpenters and Joiners.

Local Union No. 899, and all other woodworkers in the city, are invited to an open meeting in Pythian Hall, over Murchison Bank, Saturday night, 21st, to hear address by General Organizer J. P. Ogletree, of Birmingham, Ala. D. B. SELLERS, Secretary.

By order of
J. G. SMITH, President.

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Bids Wanted.

Bids are requested for the construction of Warehouse for Wilmington Tobacco Warehouse Company, to be opened March 2nd, 1903, at 12 o'clock, at the office of the President. Plans and specifications can be had by applying to J. N. Gibbons, General Manager, at the Chamber of Commerce. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 21.

INSANE RAVING.

Yesterday we made some reference to the wild rattle-brain speech made by John S. Wise, formerly of Virginia, but now of New York, in Boston on Lincoln's birthday. It was a speech devoted exclusively to the grievances of the negro, or rather the grievance of the negro, for the only grievance that John S. clamors about is the restriction of suffrage, and that does not affect all the negroes. Here is an extract from it, which may be taken as a sample of the whole:

"The white race is proud. The black race is gentle, but it is not below the worm. Some day here in Boston you will read your morning papers of a great organized outbreak of blacks, murdering white men and women, and how the infuriated whites are slaughtering in retaliation. Whom will you help—the whites? Then why in God's name have you encouraged the blacks so long? Will you help the blacks? Then you will find the struggle transferred, even here. The nation must say to the South, 'Either obey the constitutional mandate and let the negro vote, or else submit to a reduction of congressional representation."

Some of our Virginia contemporaries whose editors know John S. Wise, charitably conclude that John S. was off his mental balance when he rattled off this stuff, and perhaps he was, but he has been that way for some time, ever since he has assumed the role of negro champion against the white people of Virginia and of every other Southern State which has declared or may declare for white supremacy.

"The black race is gentle," he said to the people who listened to him. That is true, and they will remain gentle and there will never be any trouble with them, nor any organized outbreaks of blacks murdering white men and women, unless they be incited to it by men of the John S. Wise type, who are doing all they can by their insane ravings to precipitate the very calamity he deploringly predicts.

But note his remedy, how he would ward off the horrid tragedy: "The nation must say to the South, either obey the constitutional mandate and let the negro vote or else submit to a reduction of congressional representation." What a burlesque final to a tragic prelude. With all his affected interest in the negro he can't hide the politician.

Would reduced representation from the South be a solace to the negroes for their loss of suffrage? Would that make them more contented with the deprivation than they are now? It might help the Republican party, but how would it help the negro? On the contrary, if he believes he suffers by the restriction on suffrage now, might he not suffer more if that were understood to be the penalty for restricting suffrage and the Republican party though its leaders put themselves on record as accepting negro disfranchisement on that basis and that as a final settlement of the franchise question? There are negroes in every Southern State who are qualified voters under the laws as they now are. There are estimated to be about 40,000 in North Carolina. They are increasing annually and will continue to increase. There is no disposition at present to deprive these of the privilege of voting, but suppose as they increase in number they become a formidable factor in our politics, how then? After becoming somewhat accustomed to reduced representation and seeing that it did not prove as injurious as was apprehended might there not be a willingness to part with some more representation and thus eliminate the negro race entirely from politics, the literate with the illiterate, the good with the bad, and thus establish white supremacy absolute and unqualified?

We do not say this would be done, but it might be done, and the men of the Crumpacker school, with whom John S. Wise is training and whom he echoes in this proposed remedy, are simply opening the way by the plan they propose to punish the South if they can carry that plan out—which they can't, for even friends of the negroes in the North will see the logic of it, the sequence that may follow, and will oppose it.

But why are men like Wise, if they are not actuated by partisan motives, ranting so wildly about negro suffrage, and making so much more ado over it than the negroes themselves are? The negroes in all the States which have adopted qualified suffrage have accepted the situation, and many of them have candidly admitted that it is better for them. In some of the States, like Louisiana for instance, and South Carolina, they have ceased thinking about voting, they have ceased to be a factor in political contentions, have ceased to be plied with forty-rod whiskey by mean white men who wanted to use them, have attended to their business, saved their time and let the white men do the rousicating, and the marching, torch-toting and all that kind of thing, and they are the better for it, mentally, morally, physically and financially and they know it. They had toyed with the ballot a long time and had failed to discover where it had done them or their race any good or where it had benefited any one except the fellows whom they elected to office, and who didn't care a continental for them the day after the election, when the courted "colored citizen" speedily relapsed into the same old "nigger."

The worst enemies the negro has to-day are the men who play the role of friend and champion as the lunatic John S. Wise is doing, from whom better should be expected, because he is of honorable white lineage.

FLEECING THE SHEEP.

The indications are that with the agitation of the negro suffrage question and the appeals by prominent negroes for funds to prosecute the Virginia case in the courts, with the ex-slave pension scheme, negroes who can be prevailed upon to contribute will be relieved of a good deal of cash in the aggregate. John S. Wise, the negro lawyer Hayes, and other legal luminaries who are running the law side of that business must have their money. In the language of Wise, "no more money, no more work."

The following circular, a copy of which has fallen into the hands of postoffice officials in Washington, shows how they are working the negroes on the pension business:

Supreme Headquarters of the Ex-Slave Mutual Relief, B. and P. Association of the United States of America, No. 1.609 Eleventh-st., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Special to all ex slave clubs throughout this government.

Dear Friends: We hail you with good news and glad tidings from the Supreme Headquarters. Senator Mark Hanna introduced the Ex-Slave Pension bill to-day, February 4. He is a man of might and power, and victory is perched on our banner; so much to the front for justice. The Ex Slave Mutual Relief, Bounty and Pension Association has worked, and is working incessantly with concentrated efforts to bring about a certain national legislation whereby every ex-slave member may be compensated for past services rendered. This association has been duly incorporated and authorized to transact such business as may tend to bring about such legislation by honorable and just means, and as certain moneys collected for the purpose aforesaid has not been sufficient to meet all necessary disbursements of the State and national officials in execution of their various duties, therefore each member is requested to contribute $1 (with the exception of those in North Crrolina, who have already contributed) to defray national expenses in the agitation of our causes which are now pending for legislation. This freewill offering when collected will be deposited in the National Safe Deposit Savings and Trust Company of the District of Columbia by J. W. Clift, of Alabama; A. W. Rodgers, of North Carolina, and J. A. Jones, of Virginia, where the association has opened an account with a small balance to our credit, and the same will be used exclusively for the national purposes in defraying expenses in furthering the cause for justice. We hope that every president, secretary and agent will heed this appeal. Send all moneys here to the regularly elected supreme national treasurer on or before April 30, 1903.

Done by order of the supreme council, etc., J. W. Clift, national president; Callie D. House, national secretary; Julia Jackson, assistant national secretary; R. E. Gilchrist, board of incorporators, District of Columbia; A. C. Conley, supreme national deputy promoter, and A. W. Rodgers, national inspector. Attest: I. H. Dickerson, supreme national promoter, manager and treasurer.

There is nothing in this that violates the postal laws, but it is said that the postoffice people in Washington are keeping a close eye on the Ex-Slave Mutual Relief B. and P. Association of the United States and the seductive literature it sends out.

HORRID ROADS.

We have lately published several items from our State exchanges on the horrid condition of the country roads in the sections in which those papers are published. In some there has been practically no traffic for six or seven weeks. Some of the depots in the rural regions are crowded with goods for the country stores that can't be moved because they can't be hauled over the roads, and in others the farmers are staying at home idle waiting for the roads to dry some and get in a condition to make it possible for them to get to town with tobacco, cotton or other produce that they have to dispose of, or, if they have nothing else, with wood to keep the town people warm.

This is not only annoying, but it means a money loss, (if time be valued by the farmer,) and a money loss to the merchant and to the town people, who have to pay a higher price for everything from the country on account of scarcity and the difficulty in getting it. The probabilities are that if a vote were taken when the roads are in this condition on propositions to raise money for road improvements they would carry by large majorities, but when the traveling gets better people are too apt to forget the rough time they passed through.

It is said that since the good roads movement started in the North a few years ago, Massachusetts has expended $4,500,000 for road betterment, New Jersey $4,000,000, Connecticut $2,000,000, New York several millions. These four States expended in the aggregate $13,000,000, and they have become well satisfied it pays and they are keeping it up. Good roads cost money, of course, but bad roads cost more.

The Albritton family, in Florida, numbers 3,000 descendants. How does that strike President Roosevelt?

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

Disfiguring and Troublesome Skin Diseases Easily Banished by

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

A Marvelous Cure After the Failures of Ten Doctors.

Skin diseases are very common with old and young, and some forms are exceedingly troublesome, and cause serious disfiguration of the face and complexion. Eczema, salt rheum, scrofula, shingles, ringworm, boils, pimples, itch, and a score of other disagreeable troubles, result from sluggish, impure, and poisoned blood. If you truly desire to get rid of such evils, do not resort to outward treatment or applications. Common sense and the experience of your friends will at once suggest a blood purifier and system renovator like Paine's Celery Compound. This marvelous cleanser soon multiplies the number of vital red corpuscles, and fills the arteries with a health stream that produces clean, solid flesh, and firm, well-braced nerves. Mrs. L. S. Bailey, West Potsdam, N. Y., writes thus:

"I had small blotches break out on my head, and in a short time my whole body was covered. The doctors called it scrofula. I have had as many as ten doctors treat me, but none seemed to help me. At night time my whole body would itch so that I would have taken all kinds of sarsaparillas, and used soaps and ointments without effect. I read in a paper of Paine's Celery Compound, and I could not rest until I gave it a trial. I am now on my fifth bottle and consider Paine's Celery Compound miraculous in its effects. I am completely cured with the exception of one spot on my arm, which is fast going away. I wish all who suffer to give this wonderful medicine a trial."

Full, rich, even colors are made with

DIAMOND DYES

Few professional dyers can dye as well as the housewife who uses Diamond Dyes, and none can do better. Direction book and 45 dyed samples free.

DIAMOND DYES, Burlington, Vt.

A Trenton, N. J., milkman cleared 22 cents the other day by quick hustling. He had an armful of milk in bottles, was near the river bank when the wind lifted his hat and wafted it riverward. He dropped those bottles which went to smash and he went for the hat, grabbing it just as it was about to go into the river. He lost $1.28 on the milk and bottles but saved $1.50 on the hat, which put him 22 cents ahead on the jump.

According to the last report of the U. S. Commissioner of Patents there were filed for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1902, 51,258 applications for patents and trademarks, an increase of 3,183 over the previous year. That Department is so overcropped with work that there were 11,042 applications that could not be disposed of. This is one of the Departments, and about the only one, that runs itself and lays up a surplus.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— Among the first fruits of Thomas T. Fortune's exploitation of the Philippines as an Eldorado for negro immigration is a crop of immigration agents who are preying on the ignorant negroes of the far South. — *Richmond News-Leader, Dem.*

—— "The unhappy black man," remarks the New York *Mail and Express*, "is being almost as much talked about as in 1860." Well, it is the *Mail and Express* and other papers of like character that are responsible. We are perfectly willing to let the subject drop.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— The simple fact is that the race question has been transferred from Southern to Northern soil, and it is entirely out of place for Southern men to go North and harangue upon it. The Southern people, when they have had to deal with race questions, asked nothing better than they should be left to themselves. What they most deprecated was Northern interference. They only ask to be left alone to manage their own business in their own way. We ought to recognize the right of the Northern people of the Union, now that they have succeeded in transferring the race question to their own section, to manage it in their own way, without any interference on our part.—*New Orleans Picayune, Dem.*

—— Expert opinions are widely variant as to what may be done by further tests of the Sherman anti-trust law. Some of the ablest lawyers hold that it is sufficient for the wholesome regulation of all corporations or combines engaged in interstate trade. Before the next Congress assembles all doubts on this subject ought to be set at rest, either by success or failure of prosecutions. But, while this Congress has not neglected anti-trust legislation, it has utterly failed to lay a reforming finger on tariff schedules that shelter some of the monopolistic combinations and are not needed for protection or revenue. Will that policy be continued until after the Presidential campaign?—*Washington Post, Ind.*

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery, and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free. †

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It is superior to Copaiba, Cubeb, or injections, and free from all bad smell or other inconveniences.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Whiteville *News*: Mr. Council Meares killed two pigs some days ago that weighed one thousand and ninety pounds. One weighed five hundred and sixty and the other five hundred and thirty. The heaviest one was not two years old.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: Considerable quantities of home grown hay are sold almost daily on this market. It did not used to be so. Our farmers used to buy hay—hay from the far West, and pork. Now they sell both; and are more prosperous than when they grew only cotton.

— Kinston *Free Press*: The storm which swept over this city a few nights ago did serious damage in Onslow, Jones and Duplin counties blowing down tobacco barns, fences and strewing the roads with trees and limbs of trees, making the highways almost impassable. The storm was especially severe in the Flox section of Onslow county.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: While Dr. Tait Butler, State veterinarian, was here last Tuesday looking after horses with the glanders, he was called to Iredell county to investigate a strange and fatal disease which has attacked a herd of cattle in that county. —— Fire destroyed thirteen bales of cotton, about 3,000 pounds of unginned cotton, a lot of cotton seed and 2,000 feet of dressed lumber belonging to Frank Chambers, colored, of White Store township, Anson county, last Friday. Suspicion points to a colored boy in Chambers' employ as the incendiary.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: Mr. William Lowry, White Store township, died at his home yesterday, aged 95 years. He had been in failing health for more than a year, due to old age, and the end was not unexpected. He was not only the oldest, perhaps, but was one of the very best citizens the county had. —— Willis Hubbard, colored, who was tried last week for killing his brother-in-law, Hal Tillman, in Lanesboro township, some two or three months ago, was found guilty of manslaughter, and he was sentenced to seven months on the county roads. While this appears to be a very light sentence, it was thought by nearly every one that he would be acquitted.

— Lexington *Dispatch*: Revenue officers working under Revenue Agent A. C. Patterson cut up a big illicit distillery in the edge of Randolph county last Friday night and seized 103 gallons of whiskey. On Saturday night they raided an illicit distillery in the Lamont neighborhood, Guilford county, and seized 2,000 gallons of beer and the complete equipment. No arrests were made at either place. —— Mr. Geo. Beck, of Conrad Hill township, had the good luck to capture a fine large otter on Rich Fork last week. The animal was caught in a steel trap, and measured three feet five inches from tip to tip. It was still alive and very vicious when Mr. Beck went to his trap, and as he approached jumped at him, striking right and left like a rattlesnake. Otters are said to be quite plentiful on Rich Fork. Their hides are worth from $10 to $12 each.

TWINKLINGS

— "Can no child tell me what kind of a bird Noah sent out of the ark?" asked the superintendent. "Billy can," volunteered the children. "His father keeps a bird store."—*Judge.*

— He—What makes you smack your lips in that peculiar manner? She—If you don't like the way I smack my lips, you had better smack them yourself.—*Chicago Post.*

—Philanthropic Visitor (at county jail)—My friend, how came you here? Embezzler—Well, I got so straightened in my finances that I turned crooked. -*Chicago Tribune.*

— The person with a sense of humor says funny things and knows it. While he who has no sense of humor does far funnier things and doesn't know it.—*New York Weekly*

— "What is success?" asked the man with a liking for the abstruse. "Success," answered the cynical friend, "is something that impels your old acquaintances to smile significantly and remark, 'A fool for luck.'"—*Washington Star.*

— That grocer of ours speaks the most fragmentary English of any one I ever heard, said Mr. Precise. You mean "broken English," my dear, corrected Mrs. Precise. You know he is a German. I mean fragmentary, repeated Mr. Precise. The man stutters.—*Judge*

— Husband (irritably)—It isn't a year since you said you believed our marriage was made in heaven, and yet you order me around as if I wasn't anybody. Wife (calmly)—Order is heaven's first law.—*New York Weekly.*

— The Mistress.—"So you have decided to get married? Don't you think you are taking great chances, Bridget?" The Maid—"Shure, Oi don't think so, mum. Oi belave iv'ry gerrul ought to git married at least wanst in her loife."—*Judge.*

— Graspit—Yes, I'm a self-made man. Cynicus—Well, I must say you are entitled to a great deal of credit for your charitable act. Graspit—What charitable act? Cynicus—Relieving the Lord of the responsibility.—*Chicago News.*

It Will Surprise You—Try It.

IT IS the medicine above all others for catarrh and is worth its weight in gold. Ely's Cream Balm does all that is claimed for it.—B. W. Sperry, Hartford, Conn.

MY SON was afflicted with catarrh. He used Ely's Cream Balm and the disagreeable catarrh all left him.—J. C. Olmstead, Arcola, Ill.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cts. or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York. †

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READ THIS LETTER:

ALMOST A MIRACLE.

DILLON, S. C., Aug. 18th, 1902.

Gentlemen:—In September, 1899, I took rheumatism in a very bad form. In a month after the disease started I had to give up my work and go to bed. It continued to grow worse until my arms and hands were badly drawn, so much so that I could not use them. My legs were drawn back until my feet touched my hips. I was as helpless as a baby for nearly twelve months. The muscles of my arms and legs were hard and shriveled up. I suffered death many times over. Was treated by six different physicians in McColl, Dillon and Marion, but none of them could do me any good, until Dr. J. P. Ewing, of Dillon, came to see me. He told me to try your "RHEUMACIDE." He got me one bottle of the medicine and I began to take it and before the first bottle was used up I began to get better. I used five and a half bottles and was completely cured. That was two years ago, and my health has been excellent ever since. Have had no symptoms of rheumatism. I regard "RHEUMACIDE" as by far the best remedy for rheumatism on the market. I cannot say too much for it. I have recommended it to others since and it has cured them.

Will say further, that I began to walk in about six days after I began to take "RHEUMACIDE," with the aid of crutches; in about three months after I began to take it, I could walk as good as anybody, and went back to work again.

Very truly, JAMES WILKES.

All Druggists, or sent express prepaid on receipt of $1.00.

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Snails.

The popularity of the snail as an article of food is not confined to Paris, but extends throughout southern Europe and some parts of Africa. Dr. Edrard, a French writer, in a pamphlet says that 90,000 pounds of snails are sent daily to Paris from the gardens of Poitou, Burgundy, Champagne and Provence. Those reared in gardens are fed on aromatic herbs to improve their flavor. Their market price is from 2 francs 50 centimes to 3 francs 50 centimes a hundred, while those from the hedges, woods and forests bring only 2 francs to 2 francs 50 centimes. The proprietor of one snailery in the vicinity of Dijon nets over 7,000 francs annually.

The snail is reared and fattened with great care in some cantons of Switzerland as an article of luxury and is exported in a pickled state. It is also eaten as a relish and nutritious article of food in Austria, Spain, Italy and in some sections of the United States. The Ashantees and other African tribes smoke them and eat them as daily food all the year around. In Algeria in the markets large heaps of snails are sold by the bushel and the hundred as an article of food. Venders hawk them in the streets of Cairo. In modern Rome fresh gathered snails are hawked by women from door to door.

Centuries In Building.

Persons who are disposed to grumble at the length of time required to finish public buildings should take heart from the example of the Cathedral of St. Peter, in Cologne. That structure was 632 years in building. It was begun in 1248 and was pronounced completed in 1880. The great Cathedral of Milan was begun in 1386 and was not completed until 1805, 419 years later. Rosternel castle, in Cornwall, took ninety years to build, and one-third of that time was employed in excavating for the foundation. The late Lord Bute was engaged for over twenty years in building his great palace in the isle of Bute, and his successor is still at work on it. The palace of the Dukes of Atholl, in Scotland, has been building since 1830, and the work is still going on. In the cases of the other buildings mentioned, however, the money for their construction did not come entirely out of the pockets of the taxpayers, which, after all, makes a considerable difference as to the matter of looking at it.

For Diabetic Patients.

In a diet for diabetic patients milk is only occasionally allowed, yet eggs, cream, buttermilk and all kinds of cheese may be taken freely. Tart fruits are permitted, and peaches and strawberries may be eaten with cream, but without sugar. The sweet fruits—pears, plums, grapes, apples, bananas, etc.—are forbidden. Koumiss, coffee with cream, but no sugar, and cereal coffee are the drinks permitted, tea being excluded and no wines or liquors except claret, Rhine or other acid varieties. All vegetables containing sugar or starch are forbidden, which leaves cauliflower, lettuce, string beans, spinach, cucumbers, greens, young onions, etc., to be eaten. Olives are not forbidden. A moderate meat diet is recommended, particularly the fatty parts, and all kinds of fish are allowed.

Oddities of Color Blindness.

While the number of color blind persons is not very large, only about five in every hundred suffering from any defect in this respect and most of those being affected only in a minor degree, yet the phenomenon sometimes assumes very remarkable phases.

An oculist states that he found two persons who possessed monochromatic vision—that is to say, all colors appeared to them to be simply different shades of gray.

If the reader will look at a photograph of a landscape or, better, of a garden filled with brilliant flowers, he will be able to form an idea of the appearance which nature must present to one who suffers from the infliction called monochromatic vision.

A Kind Word.

Many a friendship, long, loyal and self sacrificing, rested at first on no thicker a foundation than a kind word. Two men were not likely to be friends. Perhaps each of them regarded the other with something of distrust. They had possibly been set against each other by the circulation of gossip or they had been looked upon as rivals, and the success of one was regarded as incompatible with the success of the other, but a kind word, perhaps a mere report of a kind word, has been enough to be the commencement of an enduring friendship.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb. 21, 22.

District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th 1903.

Mysterious Circumstance

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY's drug store. †

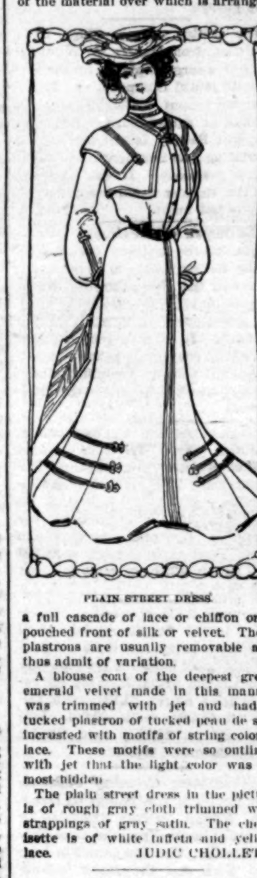
— Mrs. Smith—Did you ever notice what a way Mr. Slyder has of looking in another direction when a lady is standing in the street car? Mrs. Black—I don't know that I have; but I have noticed him do it in church when the contribution box came along.—*Boston Transcript.*

TAILOR MADE SUITS.

Russian Blouse Suits Are No Longer Plain.

Fashionable modistes are using a great deal of ecru and string colored lace on gowns for the autumn season, and if of the heavy guipure type this is most effective on brown, tan and the deeper blue tints of soft woolen material. The Russian blouse or coatee is no longer of the plain belted order, but is varied in many ways.

Many of these blouses do not meet in front, but fasten over a plastron of cloth more or less decorated or embroidered, or there is a plain plastron of the material over which is arranged



PLAIN STREET DRESS.

a full cascade of lace or chiffon or a pouched front of silk or velvet. These plastrons are usually removable and thus admit of variation.

A blouse coat of the deepest green emerald velvet made in this manner was trimmed with jet and had a tucked plastron of tucked peau de soie incrusted with motifs of string colored lace. These motifs were so outlined with jet that the light color was almost hidden.

The plain street dress in the picture is of rough gray cloth trimmed with strappings of gray satin. The chemisette is of white taffeta and yellow lace. JUDIC CHOLLET.

Moorish Slavery.

It would do those good who write passionate articles on Moorish slavery to see the well fed, lazy slave of Wazan lounging in the sun, kiff pipe in mouth and scarcely doing a stroke of work from week's end to week's end. The most ordinary English kitchenmaid would accomplish in a couple of hours what a Wazan slave does in a week. All are free to come and go as they please, but none avails himself of this freedom. The reason is not far to seek. In Wazan they are fed and clothed by the shereefs and on holidays and feast days receive presents of money.

Thus all the necessities of life are found them without their having to work for them, which otherwise they would be obliged to do. Nor is it only the necessities of life that are thus supplied to them free, but they are given each his room to live in and married at the expense of the shereefs to slave women. Their children, by law slaves, are not necessarily so and are often apprenticed to workmen to learn some trade or if they wish are free to seek their fortune in other lands.—Blackwood's Magazine.

A Lucky Escape.

An elephant hunt on the Muar river is described in the Straits Times of Singapore. The beast turned hunter, and the man, fleeing, caught his foot in a rattan creeper and fell. He discharged his rifle, however, and that fortunately frightened the animal away. The Times continues: "It is not every man who has the good luck when pursued by an elephant to be crossing a swamp, so that when the animal has carefully kneaded his prostrate foe and passed along thinking him completely pulverized the said man should come up smiling behind the elephant none the worse for his massage treatment. This actually happened to a well known man in the Straits Settlements."

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 21.

STEAMSHIPS.

Stag, (Br) 1,302 tons, Bouiman, Heide & Co.

SCHOONERS.

Jno W Dana, 478 tons, Fossett, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Greenleaf Johnson, 371 tons, Robinson, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Wellfleet, 496 tons, Rutledge, to master.

Emily F Northam, 315 tons, Adams, to master.

Chas H Wolston, 287 tons, Hinckley, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Helen G Mosely, 502 tons, Gray, Cape Fear Lumber Co.

Albert T Stearnes, 483 tons, Bunker, to master.

BARQUES.

Oscar, (Nor) 720 tons, Schrader, Heide & Co.

Freidig, (Nor) 649 tons, Christophersen, Heide & Co.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, February 20.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 65c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.85 per barrel for strained and $1.90 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.65 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.40 per barrel for hard, $4.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at $1.15@1.20; tar steady at $1.20; crude turpentine quiet at $1.35@2.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	7
Rosin	244
Tar	548
Crude turpentine	28

Receipts same day last year—25 casks spirits turpentine, 1,545 barrels rosin, 511 barrels tar, 24 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9¾c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7⅛	cts. ℔ ℔
Good ordinary	8⅝	" "
Low middling	9⅛	" "
Middling	9⅞	" "
Good middling	10⅛	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 8¼c for middling.

Receipts—699 bales; same day last year, 434.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 65c; extra prime, 70c; fancy, 75c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm, 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c, sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 15c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@12½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb 20.—Money on call steady at 2½@2¾ per cent., closing at 2@3 per cent; time money was firm: 60 days, 4¼ per cent; 90 days, 4½ per cent.; six months 4¾@5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5¼ per cent. Sterling exchange was steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487.75 for demand and at 484.65 for sixty days. The posted rates were 485½ and 488½. Commercial bills 483¾@484¼. Bar silver 48¼. Mexican dollars 37¾. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds were irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 107½; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 107½; U. S. 3's, registered, 107; do. coupon, 107 U. S. 4's, new registered, 134½; do. coupon, 135; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 109¼; do. coupon, 109¼; U. S. 5's, registered, 102¾; do. coupon, 102¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 117½ Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 98½. Chesapeake & Ohio 51½; Manhattan L 142½; New York Central 148; Reading 63; do. 1st preferred 86¼; do. 2nd preferred 75; St. Paul 177¼; do. pref'd, 191; Southern Railway 35¼; do. pref'd 94½; Amalgamated Copper 73½; People's Gas 104¼; Sugar 130⅝; Tennessee Coal and Iron 65½; U. S. Leather 13⅞; do. pref'd, 93½; Western Union 89½; U. S Steel 39; do. pref'd 88½; Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., ex div., 65; do. preferred, 126¼. Standard Oil, 710@720.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 20.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 25¾; do. preferred, 42½; bonds, fours, 83¾. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 134¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Rosin firm. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 20.—Spirits turpentine firm at 64½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — casks; A, B, C, D, E and F, $1 90; G, $2 00; H, $2 25; I, $2 80; K, $3 15; M, $3 25; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80, W W $4 20.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 20.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 65c; receipts 46 casks; sales 34 casks; exports — casks. Rosin firm; receipts 1 925 barrels; sales 2,043 barrels; exports 192 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, $2 00 F, $2 00; G, $2 10; H, $2 40; I, $2 85, K $3 20; M, $3 40; N, $3 60; W G, $3 85; W W, $4 25

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb 20.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of four to thirteen points under continued covering in response to much better Liverpool cables than expected, the English market at the time of the New York opening being eight to ten points higher for futures, while spot cotton was fourteen points higher and reported in good demand. The regular weekly Liverpool statistics also made a bullish showing and while there was considerable liquidation the local market for a time ruled steady though without showing any material gain from the opening figures. Toward midday, however, there was a halt in the demand from shorts and the profit taking was continued on an active scale, while there appeared to be sales for the short account on the theory that after so prolonged an advance a reaction was no more than reasonable. The weakness was felt in the New Orleans market and the market at Liverpool also became easier closing barely steady at an advance of six and a half to ten points. The receipts which were originally estimated at 31,961 for the day also exceeded estimates, footing up 37,961 bales and the estimates for to-morrow's movement to leading points proved disappointing to the bulls. Under this selling prices broke nine to fourteen points on the active months. The into-sight figures were slightly below popular expectations, showing 194,683 bales against 213,442 bales for this week last year, but estimates had been very carefully made owing to the uncertain weather, and the actual figures produced little effect on sentiment. Toward the close, however, there was a rally of two to five points on the more important positions as a result of renewed covering, and the market was finally barely steady, with prices net six points lower to two higher. Total sales futures estimated at 600,000 bales.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Cotton steady at 10.05; net receipts 54 bales; gross receipts 4,265 bales; stock 122,966 bales.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 10.05c; middling gulf 10.30c; sales 1,779 bales.

Futures opened firm and closed barely steady. Closing prices were: February 9.85, March 9.83, April 9.84, May 9.85, June 9.67, July 9.67, August 9.37, September 8.74, October 8.47, November 8.38.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 26,105 bales; exports to Great Britain 13,676 bales; exports to France 11,224 bales; exports to the Continent 4,640 bales; stock 895,339 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 152,511 bales; exports to Great Britain 79,290 bales; exports to France 17,221 bales; exports to the Continent 63,751 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,437,332 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,027,004 bales; exports to France 624,116 bales; exports to the Continent 2,164,894 bales.

Feb. 20.—Galveston, firm at 9⅝c, net receipts 5,467 bales; Norfolk, firm at 9⅞c, net receipts 1,164 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10c, net receipts 516 bales; Boston, quiet at 10.05, net receipts 693 bales; Wilmington, firm, 9⅝c, net receipts 699 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 10.30 net receipts 25 bales; Savannah, firm at 9⅝, net receipts 5,155 bales; New Orleans, firm at 9 11-16c, net receipts 5 989 bales; Mobile, steady at 9⅝c, net receipts 524 bales. Memphis, firm at 9⅝c, net receipts 1,013 bales; Augusta, steady at 10, net receipts 840 bales; Charleston, firm at 9 9-16c, net receipts 779 bales

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Flour was steady, with a moderate local demand. Rye flour steady. Wheat—Spot firmer; No. 2 red 81⅝c. Options—Following early depression in prices due to easier French cables and bearish home crop news, wheat rallied and was held firm all day. Supporting orders were based on better export demand, strong cash markets in the Northwest and small interior receipts. The close was firm at a partial ⅜c net advance: March closed 83⅛c; May closed 81⅛c July closed 78⅛c September 76⅛c Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 60c Options were quiet all day, closing ¼@⅜c net higher. The features were increased export trade, steady cables, big clearances, light receipts and poor grading: February closed 59⅛c; March closed 57⅛c May closed 52⅞c. July closed 50⅝c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2, 43½c. Options quiet and steady, with corn; May closed 42⅜. Lard steady; Western steam $10 15; refined steady. Pork firm; short clear $18 75@20 50; mess $17 75@18 25 Tallow steady. Rice firm. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No 7 invoice 5⅛c; mild steady; Cordova 7@11½c. Butter firm; extra creamery 27½c State dairy 15@24c. Cheese firm: State full cream small colored, fancy [illegible] made 14½c; do. white, all made 14½c. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 4⅞ @4⅞c [illegible] $1 0@1 25; [illegible] 60@80c [illegible] Liverpool [illegible] 12 [illegible] steady; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweet $2 50@3 75, Jersey $1 75 @2 00 New York and Western per 180 lbs, $1 50@2 00 Eggs easier; Pennsylvania average best 17c; Southern 15½c. Sugar—Raw firm; refined unsettled; confectioner's $4 60; mould A $5 00; cut loaf $5 35; crushed $5 35; powdered $4 85; granulated $4 75; cubes $5 00. Molasses quiet. Cotton seed oil was quiet and rather easy under increased offerings of spot. Closing quotations; Prime crude here nominal, prime crude f. o. b. mills 34@34½c; prime summer yellow 40@40½c, off summer yellow 39½c; prime white 45c; prime winter yellow 45c, prime meal $27 50@28 00, nominal.

CHICAGO February 20. Quiet prevailed in the grain pits to-day and after ruling steady the greater part of the day, wheat closed firm, with May ⅛@¼c higher. May corn was ¼c higher, while oats were ⅛c. Provisions ruled easier, and the May products closed from 5c to 10c lower.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Cash prices: Flour was steady. Wheat—No 2 spring 77@79c; No 3 spring 71½c; No. 2 red 74¼@74¾c Corn—No 2 43½; No 2 yellow 43½c Oats—No 2 34; No. 2 white —; No. 3 white 35@35½c. Mess pork, per barrel, quoted at $17 37½@17 50. Lard, per 100 ℔, $9 55@9 60. Short rib sides, loose, $9 30@9 50 Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 12½@8 25. Short clear sides, boxed, $9 75@9 87½ Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 30.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing Wheat—No 2 May 77⅛@77¼, 77½ 77¼@77½, 77⅝c; July 73⅛ 74, 73⅛, 73⅞c. February 74⅛c Corn—No 2 February 43c; May 45⅛@45⅜, 45¾, 45⅛, 45⅜@45¾c; July 44½, 44⅜@44½, 44 44⅜@44¼c Oats—No. 2, February 34 34 34 34c May 35⅛, 35⅜@36, 35⅛, 35⅞c; July 32¾@32⅞, 32⅞, 32⅛@32⅛, 32⅞@32⅞. Mess pork per bbl May $17 70, 17 80, 17 55, 17 55; July $17 10 17 20, 17 05, 17 05; September $16 67½, 16 72½, 16 65 16 70. Lard, per 100 ℔.—February $9 55; May $9 67½ 9 67½, 9 55, 9 55 July $9 47½, 9 50, 9 40, 9 40 September $9 45, 9 47½, 9 40, 9 40 Short ribs, per 100 ℔—May $9 70, 9 72½, 9 60 9 60 July $9 55 9 57½ 9 42½, 9 45 September $9 47½, 9 52½, 9 37½, 9 40

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 20.—Cotton: Spot good business done; prices 14 points higher; American middling fair 5.94d; good middling 5.56; middling 5.38; low middling 5.26d; good ordinary 5.14d; ordinary 5.02. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 11,400 bales American. Receipts 14,000 bales, including 12,100 bales American.

Futures opened firm and closed barely steady; American middling (g o c) February 5.22@5.23d; February and March 5.22@5.23d; March and April 5.22@5.23d; April and May 5.24d; May and June 5.25@5.26d; June and July 5.26d; July and August 5.25d; August and September 5.13@5.14d; September and October 4.86; October and November 4.63@4.64d.

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(Began business March 1, 1899.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 978,114 19	Capital	$ 200,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	257 00 0	Surplus and Net Profits	87,151 77
Bank Building	30,000 00	Circulation	1 6 950 00
Cash on hand and in banks	623 587 70	Deposits	1,299,601 05
	$1,843,702 82		$1,843,702 82

Comparative statement of deposits.

February 6th, 1903, $973,587 14. February 6th, 1901, $409,290 53. February 6th, 1902, $633,322 71.

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NEW WOMAN NEWS

THERE are things that occasionally make even the New Woman discouraged with her sex, for a little while at least, not long. She always picks up and goes on again presently in full faith that the natural common sense and the brains in women's heads will bring them around right sooner or later, certainly in 5,000 years or so more. One of the discouraging phases of the woman question is the awful, the unclean, the villainous long skirts women drag about on the street. Some of these even in front trail two inches upon the ground. I have noticed, too, that the poorer a woman is and the less able she is to buy new gowns the longer this unclean, troublesome trail of goods is. It is very common to see a poor laborer's wife plowing her way along the street with a baby wagon, a three-year-old child hanging to her dress, another a little older the other side of her and she with a cheap, badly made skirt slopping upon the ground several inches of its length. It is so soiled and unpleasant looking that no clean woman would let it cross her threshold, and yet that poor, bedraggled, shabby creature flatters herself she is gowned in the height of Fifth avenue mode. It is the pleasing custom of that noble lady, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, when a woman, millionaire or working girl, comes to see her to give that woman a rating that she does not soon forget if she has ventured into the presence wearing a street mop for a skirt. The noble lady has gone so far as to say that no street mop should come into her beautiful boudoir, bringing with it microbes of disease and poison and divers things unpleasant for her to think of. I have known of those who when they saw one of these villainous skirts directly in front of them could not resist the temptation to set a foot upon it and rip or tear it tremendously.

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Every spring, when the sunshine and the long days come again, without fail I get a fever on me to go to the country and raise flowers and chickens. I never do it, but ever the longing comes back. In New York city eggs have been between 35 and 50 cents a dozen much of the winter. A friend who has no particular facilities for housing and nesting hens beyond a comfortable barn basement and an ordinary board poultry house tells me that without any special care on her part her few fowls have given her a dozen eggs a day the cold weather through. To be sure, she knows the right breed to have and the right mixture of food for them, but the hens themselves do all the rest.

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The French government has lately given several war medals to women who earned them during the Franco-Prussian contest. One of the women, Mme. Laurin, actually fought in the ranks as a zouave soldier. She was taken prisoner by the Germans, but her shrewdness enabled her to escape. Another woman war veteran receiving a medal is Mlle. Dodu, a telegraph operator, who tapped the wires and stole messages the Prussians were sending concerning army movements. A third woman decorated is Mme. Benon, who was an army nurse.

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Now it looks as if a woman can even design a railroad car better than a man can. The private car of the family of Mr. T. Ryan, a railway director, was designed by Mrs. Ryan and built according to her orders. The Ryans were traveling in their car in Texas when they encountered a wreck and a smash-up, in which the only car left whole was that planned by the woman.

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In Europe more women work in balloon making factories than men. One Frenchwoman, Mme. Lechambre, will start such a factory of her own in the United States.

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A New York city girl, Miss Emma Lonsdale, found a negro burglar in her room. What did she do—scream or faint? This is what: "I grabbed him and asked him what he wanted. He said he was looking for the janitor. I found my silver watch and silver knife in his pockets. Then I called the hall-boy, and I watched him while I ran out and found a policeman."

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Some time since a woman was committed to an insane asylum who was the mother of fourteen children, and the care of them had driven her crazy. No wonder.

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The first woman suffrage petition in England was presented to parliament in 1807, and it was signed by 1,449 names. The latest one, presented last year, was signed by 257,000 women. Woman's rights is dead, is it?

* *

Mrs. Bernard Shields has been appointed press agent for a leading theater in New Orleans. The appointment is every way suitable in this particular instance, and there is every reason why women elsewhere should obtain such a post. They seem particularly fitted for it, and a lady of tact, pleasing address, good temper and acquaintance with her business could equal the best man alive as press or advance agent for lectures and theatrical companies.

ELIZA ARCHARD CONNER.

The Modern Editorial.

An essay on "The Boston Newspapers" in the Bookman throws some light on the development of the modern editorial. The earlier newspapers had no editorials. Attempts to mold public opinion took the form of letters signed "Publius," "Junius" and like Latin names.

The writer in the Bookman claims for Boston the honor of originating the present editorial form. The Boston Daily Advertiser and Repertory, the first successful Boston daily, was founded in 1813 and the next year passed into the hands of Nathan Hale, nephew of the spy of the Revolution. Hale began to substitute leading articles written in the office for those formerly furnished by the stalwart Romans—"Fabius," "Honestus," "Novanglus," "Leco" and "Massachusettensis."

The fashion set by the Advertiser was widely copied and at length became general. Mr. Hale came to take much pride in his innovation that when distinguished men like Everett and Webster offered articles for use as editorials he insisted on printing them as communications. Only the staff men were allowed to write the regular editorial comment.

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Flowers That Go to Sleep.

The peculiar relations that flowers and insects bear to each other make one of the most interesting studies of the naturalist. You have heard, perhaps, that the flowers assume their gay colors for the purpose of attracting insects, but it is not generally known, probably, that the closing of some blooms at nightfall—their going to sleep, as it were—is the direct result of their relations with insects.

See how nicely Nature has arranged things in this provision of hers. The flowers that sleep at night are those that depend for fertilization on the visits of day flying insects. Not only, therefore, is it unnecessary for them to remain open at night, but they would be robbed if they did, for the night flying insects would steal their honey while being incapable of fertilizing them. By closing their blossoms at night they save their honey to attract the day flying insects and get paid for it by the pollen that these insects bring them.

There are flowers that sleep during the day and open at night and others that give out their sweetest odor at night, all to attract the particular insects that fertilize them. The day insects would not give them anything in return for the honey they took, but the night insects give them the pollen they need; so they sleep during the day and open all their attractions at night.

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WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	8 50 a m	9 00 p m
Ar Monroe	10 32 a m	10 45 p m
Ar Charlotte	11.40 a m	11 50 p m
Ar Chester	12 01 p m	11 50 p m
Ar Greenwood	2 02 p m	2.05 a m
Ar Athens	5 19 p m	4.15 a m
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Lv Hamlet	8.00 a m	8.45 a m	9.30 p m
Ar Columbia	7 24 a m	11 08 a m	1.10 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m	3 15 p m	4.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1.20 p m	7 40 p m	9 15 a m
Ar Tampa		6 45 a m	6 00 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet		10.25 p m	8 00 a m
Ar Raleigh		1.15 a m	11.10 a m
Ar Norlina		3.16 a m	1.25 p m
Ar Portsmouth		7.10 a m	5.35 p m
Ar Norfolk			6 30 p m
Lv Hamlet	10.50 p m	8.45 a m	12 05 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11.45 a m	2.35 a m
Ar Norlina	3 18 a m	1.50 p m	
Ar Petersburg	5.55 a m	4.05 p m	
Ar Richmond	6.10 a m	4.55 p m	6 40 a m
Ar Washington	9 45 a m	8.35 p m	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	10.58 a m	11.36 p m	11.34 a m
Ar New York	3.15 p m	6.35 a m	4.15 p m

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest.

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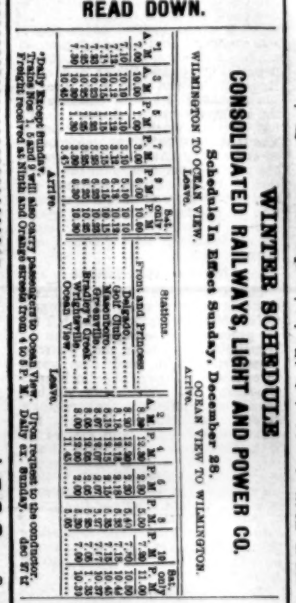

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NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	1 30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	13.21 p m	9 38 p m
Ar Wilson	1 18 p m	10.42 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1.55 p m	11.35 p m
Ar Norfolk	5.50 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 52 p m	1.45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 58 p m	3.35 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4.07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.35 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4.05 a m	11.05 a m
Ar New York	7.15 a m	2.00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv New York	8.55 a m	3.35 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 30 a m	12 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 44 p m	1.37 a m
Ar Washington	3.50 p m	3.45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	6 56 p m	6.30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7 39 p m	9 13 a m
Ar Weldon	9.04 p m	11.22 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10.07 p m	12 50 p m
Ar Wilson	10 48 p m	1.46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	2.15 a m	3.55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10.15 a m	5.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 45 p m	7.00 p m
Ar Florence	9.35 a m	7 30 p m	10.55 a m
Ar Charleston	1.10 p m	11 15 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 35 p m	3.00 a m	7.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville		9.00 a m	12.45 p m
Ar Tampa		7.00 p m	10.00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.
Lv Tampa	6.00 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7.30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Savannah	1.10 p m	1.15 a m
Ar Charleston	5.15 p m	5.25 a m
Ar Florence	8.00 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11.45 p m	1.40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.	East Bound Daily.
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar. 6.00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 30 p m	Ar. 3.00 p m
Ar Sanford	1 50 p m	Lv. 2.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.		South Bound Daily.
Lv Wilmington	2 35 p m	Ar.	12 00 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv.	9 00 a m

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, February 6, 1902.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts		$1,067,006 31
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		1,071 60
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		98,100 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		175,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc		18,000 63
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		100,980 33
Due from State Banks and Bankers		146,804 47
Due from approved reserve agents		47,426 89
Notes of other National Banks	$6,500 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	900 69	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$40 597 00	
Legal tender notes	13,839 00	131,760 69
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		4,700 00
Total		$1,845,596 92

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	30,429 32	154,429 32
National Bank notes outstanding		96,100 00
Due to other National Banks	803,083 94	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	330,485 82	
Dividends unpaid	325 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	753,994 41	
Cashiers checks outstanding	19,497 53	
United States deposits	173,800 00	1,861,587 60
Total		$1,845,596 92

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of February, 1903.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

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Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST
2 Pass'g'r Trains			4 Pass'g'r Trains
Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	Arrive / Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M. / A. M.
.....	1 40	Goldsboro	11 35 / .....
.....	4 22	Kinston	10 14 / .....
5 45	5 50	Newberg	8 37 / 7 25
7 25	7 07	Morehead City	7 25 / 7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M. / A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at New Bern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 2 connects with Southern Railway main arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.55 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING. FEB. 21.

COMPLAINT FROM VENEZUELA

That Ships Taken from Her by the Allies Have Not Been Returned as Stipulated in the Protocol.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CARACAS, VENEZUELA, Feb. 20.—The morning papers here publish a protest directed to Venezuela, the United States and the European nations, as follows:

"In order that the public may know how Germany, Great Britain and Italy execute their engagements, we call attention to the grave fact that up to to-day, February 20th, the ships taken by the three powers have not been delivered to the government of Venezuela as stipulated in the protocols."

The German commodore has notified the authorities at Puerto Cabello that the Venezuelan gunboat Restaurador, which was captured by the Germans, will be returned to Venezuela on Monday, February 23d, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, "and not before."

A revolutionary army, estimated at 3,800 men, has reached a point about twenty miles south of Caracas. The revolutionists and the government troops both occupy strong positions.

The revolution organized by General Matos, during the course of the blockade of the Venezuelan coast by the allied warships, was reorganized and three armies formed.

THE NEGRO IN THE SOUTH.

Speeches at a Banquet of the Huntington Republican Club—Roosevelt's Sentiments Repudiated by Speakers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Feb. 20.—Attorney George Nelms Wise, nephew of John S. Wise, speaking to-night at the banquet of the Huntington Republican Club, the largest Republican organization of its kind in the South, repudiated the sentiments of President Roosevelt and John S. Wise, in reference to the race problem.

Mr. Wise argued that the negro should be let severely alone to work out his own fate. In no other way will the race problem be settled or the future of the negro race in America be determined.

Hon. Harry K. Walcott, former Republican chairman for this congressional district, spoke along the same lines in responding to the toast "George Washington." Mr. Walcott incidentally remarked that it was a long step from Washington to Roosevelt. He maintained that it would be the part of wisdom to remember that the negro is not popular in the South, before giving him federal offices in a Southern community.

Both speeches were received with applause.

THE WORLD'S COTTON.

Hester's Statement of the Total Visible Supply of the Staple.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 23.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's supply of cotton, issued to-day, shows the total visible to be 4,034,343 bales, against 4,038,699 last week and 4,493,841 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 2,987,343 bales, against 3,043,699 last week and 3,484,841 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,047,000 bales, against 995,000 last week and 1,209,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and Continental Europe 2,028,000 bales, against 2,377,000 last year; in Egypt, 181,000 bales, against 283,000 last year; in India, 528,000 bales, against 479,000 last year, and in the United States, 1,297,000 bales, against 1,885,000 last year.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

For the Week Ending Friday, February 20th, 1903.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending February 20th, 1903:

	1903.	1902.
Net receipts at all U. S. ports during the week ...	152,511	167,090
Total receipts to this date	6,427,333	6,305,215
Exports for week..	160,262	128,922
Total exports to date	4,820,364	4,969,233
Stock in all U. S. ports.	895,839	788,497
Stock at all interior towns.....	353,621	548,535
Stock in Liverpool,	618,000	113,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	204,000	178,000

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1902: Galveston, 1,631,610 bales; New Orleans, 1,815,817; Mobile, 185,560; Savannah, 1,126,766; Charleston, 303,012; Wilmington, 306 991; Norfolk, 417,300; Baltimore, 27,859; New York, 44,408; Boston, 56,553; Newport News, 13,145; Philadelphia, 17,754; Brunswick, 84,610; Fernandina, 3,134; Pensacola, 116,319; Port Arthur, 80,126; Port Townsend, 81,619; San Francisco, 30,631; Portland, Ore., 1,541; El Paso, 1,258; Eagle Pass, 10,316; Laredo, 13,139. Total, 6,428,333 bales.

In the report of the New York health department, published yesterday, it is estimated that the present population of Greater New York is 3,732,903, an increase since the United States census of 1900 of 295,701.

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A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, of Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally as good for Burns, Bruises, Skin Eruption and Piles. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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FILIBUSTERING IN THE SENATE.

Friends of the Statehood Bill Fighting Against Action on the Panama Treaty.

UNDER QUAY'S LEADERSHIP.

Entire Day Spent in Executive Session No Vote Taken Upon Any of Morgan's Amendments to Colombian Treaty—In the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The Senate spent the entire day in executive session, it being still the legislative day of yesterday, and at 5:30 P. M. took a recess until to morrow at 11 o'clock. The time was taken up in consideration of the Colombian canal treaty. No vote was taken upon any of the amendments which have been prepared by Senator Morgan.

The most interesting event of the day transpired when Senator Quay rose to a question of personal privilege. He sent to the desk and had read an article from a New York paper of this morning, accusing him of violating a pledge which the paper stated he had made in the Republican caucus Wednesday to support the treaty to the exclusion of every other subject. He said such was not the case, but that on the contrary he had protested against any action looking to the displacement of the Statehood bill. He called upon other senators to testify to this effect, and several did so.

Senator Morgan, who had the floor, yielded to Senator Burton, who spoke for an hour and a half in advocacy of the Statehood bill.

Mr. DuBois, of Idaho, followed with a speech in criticism of the treaty and of what he characterized as the summary action of the Republican caucus. When he concluded Senator Morgan continued his remarks in opposition to the treaty in its present shape.

After Senator Morgan had spoken for an hour or more he gave way to Mr. Quay, but before the latter had well begun Senator Carmack moved that Senator Morgan be allowed to discuss the canal position in open Senate. The motion brought on a general debate, in which the rules of the Senate, the advisability of cloture, the necessity of maintaining in the Senate a form of free speech and many other kindred topics were discussed. Among those who spoke were Senators Spooner, Teller, Depew, Hale and Bacon, most of whom opposed Mr. Carmack's motion for open doors. The speakers differed widely, however, as to the expediency of the policy of delay, which it was freely charged is now being pursued in connection with the Panama treaty on the one hand and with the Statehood bill on the other. Some of the senators avowed themselves advocates of a rule of cloture.

Senator Hale expressed the conviction that the present situation in which friends of the Statehood bill had joined with opponents of the treaty, was due to a previous understanding between them and between Senator Quay and Senator Morgan. Mr. Morgan replied earnestly, denying that there had been such combination. Mr. Carmack's motion was not put to a vote, and Mr. Quay resumed.

Mr. Quay's speech consisted of a long report on the Isthmian canal question. This reading he asked the clerk at the desk to perform, but objection was made and the matter was submitted to a vote. The result was adverse to Mr. Quay's request, the vote standing 20 to 34. He then began the reading of the document himself and continued for two hours or more.

At 5:30 o'clock, in accordance with the decision of the steering committee, Senator Cullom moved a recess until 11 o'clock to-morrow and the motion prevailed.

This decision of the steering committee against a night session was reported at a meeting of the committee held during the afternoon. The committee decided that the sentiment of the Senate was against holding another night session until an effort had been made to reach an adjustment of the somewhat tangled legislative condition in the Senate. In order to bring about such an adjustment it was suggested that some compromise might be made on the Statehood bill. Senators Quay and Elkins and other Republicans who have been favoring the Statehood bill were called in and the matter canvassed at some length, but without reaching an agreement, The Democrats have not been consulted and as they stood out solidly against the plan of compromise for the creation of two new States they may not accept any other compromise proposition. Should a compromise be agreed upon, it is stated that it will include the ratification of the Colombian and Cuban treaties.

House of Representatives.

The House to-day passed the Fortifications Appropriation bill, adopted the conference reports on the bill for the protection of the President and the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, and then spent three hours wrangling over the Fowler Currency bill. The latter bill had been given privilege by the terms of a special rule adopted Monday, but when the decks had been cleared for it the Democrats inaugurated a filibuster, Mr. Bartlett, of Georgia, declaring that it was useless to waste time on a measure which it was not intended should become a law. After half a dozen roll calls the House finally got into committee of the whole to consider the bill, but it then being five o'clock, on motion of Mr. Fowler the House adjourned.

LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE

To Build a Line of Road from Knoxville to Chattanooga, Tenn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Feb. 20.—It is reported here that the Louisville and Nashville intends to build a line from this city to Chattanooga, leaving the Jellico-Knoxville main line near Oliver Springs, crossing the Tennessee river near Kingston, and adhering to the east bank of the river to Chattanooga. This would give the Louisville and Nashville its own entrance into Chattanooga from Louisville and Cincinnati and would give Knoxville a line to Chattanooga competing with the Southern railway.

William J. Bryan held an informal reception in the lobby of the House of Representatives at Washington yesterday, shaking hands with members, some of whom he served with when he was in Congress. Mr. Bryan expects to remain in Washington over Sunday.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

POLICE BATTLE WITH A DESPERATE NEGRO.

Scores of Shots Exchanged—The House Set on Fire—Negro Shot and Killed While Trying to Escape.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb 20.—After holding half hundred policemen at bay for several hours, during which scores of shots were exchanged, LaFayette Sims, a desperate negro, was killed by the police early to-day in a negro boarding house situated on South Rampart street. The room in which he was besieged had to be set on fire and the fire department called out before Sims could be driven from his post. As he attempted to escape, still carrying his gun, he was shot down. The body was taken to the morgue without any demonstration from a mob of several thousand negroes who crowded the vicinity of the tragedy.

The origin of the trouble was trivial. Sims occupied a room in the boarding house in which there were seven beds. On retiring last night he locked the door and when the landlord early this morning asked him to open so that another lodger might be admitted, Sims refused. Then the landlord sent for the police. Efforts to persuade Sims to open the door failed and a hole was smashed in it. Through the aperture Sims began shooting. One bullet knocked a pistol from the fingers of Officer Windstein and a second shattered the lantern which the officer carried. Thereupon additional policemen were sent for and the house was surrounded. When the reinforcements had arrived the negro landlord and an officer again went to the room and pleaded with Sims to come out and surrender.

"No, I won't," he answered with an oath. "I'll shoot if you don't go away. I am not going to leave here. They'll burn me in oil. They'll fry me."

Sims had piled some of the furniture in the room against the door and was prepared to fight for his life. As the landlord and the officer retreated, the desperado fired at them without doing any damage. All efforts to induce the prisoner to surrender having proved ineffective, Superintendent Journee decided that there was nothing to be done but to smoke the negro out. An alarm was turned in and a portion of the fire department brought to the scene. A quantity of cotton, oil and sulphur was sent for, the cotton rolled into balls and saturated with oil, a match applied and the blazing substance hurled into the room, every avenue of escape being guarded. The furniture in the room caught quickly, filling the place with smoke and flames. Sims hung on to his hiding place until he was nearly suffocated and then made a break to escape. As he appeared at the door, Patrolman Fred Smith fired at him. The negro staggered, mortally wounded. Instantly other policemen fired on him and he fell dead.

The firemen extinguished the flames and the body was dragged out and taken through a lane of excited negroes to the police station.

Examination of the room, following the tragedy, showed that Sims had gotten possession of Officer Winstein's revolver after shooting it from his hands.

DIAMOND SHOALS LIGHTSHIP.

Stripped of Cables and Anchors in the Recent Hurricane—Wind Velocity 100 Miles an Hour.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 20.—United States lightship No. 71, which was twice blown from her moorings off Diamond Shoals during the hurricane of Monday and Wednesday, arrived at the Norfolk navy yard today without an inch of cable nor a single anchor aboard. During the gale the lightship lost her twelve-ton mushroom anchors and hundreds of fathoms of cable.

She reached the lower harbor Thursday night, but missed the channel and grounded off Craney island. A lighthouse tender pulled her off this morning and she proceeded to the buoy dock at the navy yard.

Capt. J. H. Tawes, when seen, declared that the storm of Monday night exceeded in violence anything he had ever experienced off Hatteras, and that a velocity of not less than 100 miles an hour was reached by the wind during the height of the gale. The 1½ steel chains which held the ship to her anchors snapped like threads.

Notice to Mariners.

BALTIMORE, February 20. — The lighthouse inspector of the Fifth district to-night sends out the following notice to mariners:

"Diamond Shoal light vessel No. 71, off the Diamond Shoal, seacoast of North Carolina, which went adrift Monday night, February 16th, returned to the station Thursday morning, February 19th, but again parted her cable and has returned to port for new moorings. She will be replaced as soon as practicable."

LARGEST IN THE WORLD.

Maiden Voyage of the New White Star Steamer Cedric.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The new White Star steamer Cedric, the largest vessel in the world, arrived to-day from Liverpool and Queenstown, after her maiden transatlantic voyage. The passage from Daunt's Rock to this port was made in eight days, eight hours and sixteen minutes. She brought 742 passengers, of which number 450 were steerage. The Cedric is 700 feet in length and 49 1-3 feet deep, with a gross tonnage of 21,034 tons, dead weight about 18,000 and a displacement of 38,000 tons. The propelling machinery consists of two sets of quadruple expansion engines driving twin propellers. The vessel is designed to attain a speed of 17 knots at sea.

With the advent of the Cedric the White Star Line possesses the world's two largest vessels, the Celtic being a sister ship. Harland & Wolff, of Belfast, Ireland, are the Cedric's builders. She is commanded by Captain H. J. Haddock, royal naval reserve, who was formerly master of ceremonies on the steamer Germanic. On the passage from Queenstown the Cedric encountered severe northwest gales during the last four days, but as Captain Haddock remarked, "It did not bother us any, for you would hardly know you were at sea when on the steamer."

The schooner Wm. H. Shubert, which went ashore three miles north of Body Island in the hurricane of last Monday night, is a total wreck. The steamer Rescue, of the Merritt & Chapman Wrecking Company, stripped the vessel. The wreck and cargo was valued at $75,000.

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A HOTEL FIRE AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IA.

Ten Persons Lost Their Lives and Two Score or More Were Injured.

THE BUILDING A FIRE-TRAP.

Crowded With Guests—The Stairways in Flames—A Rush for the Windows. Victims Forced to Jump—All in Their Night Garments.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, Feb. 20.—Ten lives, according to the best information obtainable under difficulties, were lost in a fire which this morning destroyed the Clifton Hotel in this city. Two persons were fatally injured and a two score or more injured more or less severely, mostly by jumping from windows.

The work of learning the names of the dead is rendered difficult by the loss of the hotel register, which was burned. The hotel, a three-story brick veneer structure, is said to have been veritable fire-trap. The flames started in a pile of rubbish in the basement, presumably ignited by defective electric light wires. The night clerk was on the third floor when the cry of fire, raised by a bell boy, startled him. He took up the cry and in an instant the hallways were choked with frightened guests. A rush was made for the stairways.

It was then that the crowd already collected in the street heard heart rending cries of anguish and desperation, for the fire feeding ravenously on the tinder-like material of the lower floor had completely cut off escape. There followed a stampede for the windows, the only means of exit left. The street below was filled with a crowd scarcely less frantic than the despairing ones in the fast burning building. The victims were literally driven by the flames to jump. Nearly every one of them lingered to the last moment, urged by the people below to wait as long as possible in the hope of assistance. Then a cry would tell that the fire had reached some one or the smoke had made it impossible to breathe, and one after another jumped to the street, and some, more fortunate, to the roofs of buildings adjoining. In a short space of time the street was filled with men and women bruised, battered, broken-limbed and half-crazed. All were in their night garments.

In an hour St. Luke's hospital contained fifteen injured, while many more, chiefly those who had escaped with comparatively slight hurts, were being cared for in buildings near the scene of the tragedy. Some who jumped owe their lives to the fact that their falls were broken by telegraph wires which interposed in their downward flight.

A number of the guests who were able to converse calmly following their escape declared that they stumbled over prostrate bodies as they rushed to the windows. The flames literally were chasing them and the smoke made it almost impossible to breathe.

The proprietor of the hotel placed his estimate of the number of people in the building when the alarm was raised at between seventy and eighty. Many of them were delegates to the State Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, which began here yesterday.

Those who were first to escape, where they were not too severely injured, stood for some time barefooted in the snow, chained to the spot and rendered unconscious of the cold by the horror of the scene. Many of them had to be led away.

TO PROTECT THE PRESIDENT.

Text of the Measure as Agreed Upon by Conferees of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The conferees on the bill for the protection of the President have agreed and their report has been submitted to the House. The Senate accepts the House amendment to the original bill, with some changes in the wording.

As agreed upon by the conference committee, the death penalty is provided for any one who shall wilfully or maliciously kill the president or vice president or any officer upon whom the duties of president may devolve under the constitution; also for the wilful killing of any officer of the government in line of succession to the presidency, or any ambassador or minister accredited to the United States.

Provision is made that any one within the United States who teaches the duty or necessity of the unlawful killing of one or more of the officers of the government or of the government of any civilized nation shall be fined not to exceed $5,000, or imprisonment not to exceed twenty years or both.

SENT TO STATE'S PRISON.

Geo. H. Pell Pleaded Guilty to the Charge of Grand Larceny.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 20.—George H. Pell, who some years ago was well known in Wall street circles and in fashionable society, was to-day sentenced to three years and six months in the State's prison for grand larceny, to which he pleaded guilty some days ago. Pell in 1890 was sentenced to seven years on charges arising out of the failure of the Sixth National Bank and was pardoned after serving two years. His wife and relatives are wealthy.

TURPENTINE IN FLORIDA.

Large Percentage of Trees Destroyed by the Recent Storm.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Feb. 20.—The *Industrial Record*, the official naval stores trade journal, publishes reports from the turpentine belt which state that not less than twenty per cent. of the virgin boxes and ten per cent. of the old boxes were destroyed by the storm of this week. The timber was blown down by the wind. This will greatly reduce the turpentine production in this State.

A Rio Janeiro dispatch says: The British steamer Belluci, which went ashore off Garupary Islands, while bound for New Orleans and New York, is breaking up, and has been abandoned.

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CELEBRATION OF THE JUBILEE OF POPE LEO.

Brilliant Scene at the Reception in St. Peter's—Multitude of People—Benediction—Presentation of Gifts.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ROME, Feb. 20.—"It seems impossible that it is twenty-five years since I have been there," was Pope's Leo's exclamation as he looked from a window of his apartments this morning into the sunlit piazza of St. Peter's. This was the pontiff's only reference to his long term of self imposed imprisonment in the Vatican, during which he has never gone beyond the palace grounds and St. Peter's, which is considered to be part of the Vatican. "What a glorious morning for the jubilee of my pontificate," the Pope added, as he proceeded with evident pleasure to peruse the almost innumerable telegrams, letters and addresses of congratulations which have reached the Vatican from all parts of the world.

The Hall of Beatification, above the portico of St. Peter's, where the pontiff held his jubilee reception, presented a brilliant scene. It was beautifully hung with antique brocades and illuminated by thousands of electric lights and wax candles. The boxes lining the long narrow hall were filled to their capacity with members of the Roman aristocracy, diplomats, women with black veils, men in evening dress and monks and sisters in varying garb. Here and there groups of Papal guards in bright uniforms lent color to the whole. Notable among the diplomats was Count Aldovar, head of the special mission sent to represent the King of Spain at the jubilee.

The struggle to get into the hall was terrific People were swept off their feet and women were overcome, but no one was really injured. There was a long and tedious wait before the ceremony commenced and the audience was growing restless when suddenly a great roar of "Long Live Leo," and "Long Live the Pope-King," announced the arrival of the pontiff. His holiness was borne in the sedia gestitoria on the shoulders of eight men, habited in red brocade. The Pope himself wore gorgeous robes and had the triple crown on his head. He bestowed his benediction right and left as he passed through the cheering concourse, whose enthusiasm was so great and whose desire to touch the hem of the Pope's gown was so intense that the presence of the guards seemed really necessary for his protection.

When the Pope advanced to the throne the Pecci family (that of the pontiff) stood on its right and Count Aldovar on its left.

Subsequently the presentation of gifts occurred, including the gold liars, the jubilee present of the Catholic world, which cost $35,000, the gold medal and the symbolic keys.

After bestowing the apostolic blessing the Pope returned to his apartments, amidst the enthusiastic plaudits of the multitude.

The Pope concluded the functions of his jubilee to-day without undue fatigue. Upon returning to his apartments he exclaimed: "This is really the happiest day of my life."

In St. Peter's this afternoon Cardinal Rampolio celebrated a solemn mass and tedeum at an altar erected next to the papal altar. He was surrounded by twenty-four bishops. A special feature of the ceremony was a procession through the immense basilica in which took part three hundred Catholic associations carrying hundreds of lighted torches with magnificent and fantastic effect. The congregation numbered 30,000.

The Pope retired at 10 o'clock at night saying: "I am really satisfied with the day's work."

HEAD-ON COLLISION.

Four Persons Killed in a Wreck on the Illinois Central Railroad

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DUBUQUE, IOWA, Feb. 20.—The Chicago and Minneapolis passenger train, on the Illinois Central railroad, collided head-on with a freight train to-night at Galena, Ill. Four train men were killed. The passenger train was northbound and is said to have been running at a high rate of speed. A wrecking train has gone to the scene of the disaster. It is said that several cars and the locomotives left the rails. No passengers were hurt.

THE CASE OF BISHOP.

Jury Locked Up for the Night—Unable to Agree on a Verdict.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 20.—The jury in the case of Arthur Bishop on trial for the killing of Thomas Wilson, was locked up for the night at 10 P. M., being unable to agree on a verdict. The case was given to them at 10:30 last night.

WARM WIRELETS.

The President has signed the Elkins rebate bill. With the signing of this bill the administration's anti-trust programme for this session of Congress is completed.

A premature explosion at Stewart's granite quarry, near Columbia, S. C., caused the death of three negro workmen and the injury of several others. The force of the explosion was so great that it shook every house in Columbia.

Negotiations are proceeding for the sale of a New York Stock Exchange seat for $81,000, which, with the initiation fee of $2,000, equals the high record price of last year. Two seats were transferred this week for $80,000 each.

The resolution which passed the Senate providing that Rear Admiral Schley be given the pay and allowances of a rear admiral on the active list was called up in the House Committee on Naval Affairs yesterday. The resolution was tabled.

According to a dispatch from Sofia desperate fighting has occurred between a small band of revolutionaries and 800 Turks in a defile close to the village of Beril, near Kastoria, Albania. The Turks had ninety killed. The insurgents lost heavily, but succeeded in gaining the mountains.

The sale of the Rome, Ga., cotton mill for $15,000 to B. I. Hughes has been set aside by Referee W. S. Rowell, and his decision has been confirmed by Judge Newman. Another sale of the property has been ordered for March 6th, and the upset price has been fixed at $30,000.

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LIFE INSURANCE FRAUDS.

Testimony of a Startling Nature Given at the Examination of Men Under Arrest in New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Testimony of a startling nature was given by witnesses in the examination of one of the six men under arrest, charged with swindling life insurance companies by substituting bodies, which came up in the Police Court to-day. Joseph Trepani, the undertaker in the case, was held by Magistrate Zeller in $5,000 bail to await the action of the grand jury. Francis B. Foster, formerly an agent for the Union Central Life Insurance Company, testified that he had agreed, at Trepani's suggestion, to swear to the death of men insured in the company, while he knew, he said, that the body of some one else had been substituted. Foster said he received sums ranging from $100 to $600 from Trepani when the policies were paid in these cases. He was first approached by the prisoner Cirino, and with Dr. Oliver Moore, of the company, examined one Tromborula, to whom a policy was issued on their report. Tromborula soon after that was reported dead and the body substituted being exhumed the alleged frauds were revealed.

Assistant Attorney Krotel made public to-night a confession made by Foster, detailing the methods pursued by the swindlers. Foster says that he has been for several years the chief soliciting agent for the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, which has a branch office in this city. He admits that he made false identifications of seven bodies and succeeded in making the collection of $10,000 of fraudulent insurance from his company.

ANDREW CARNEGIE.

His Visit to Atlanta Postponed on Account of Illness.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 20.—The visit of Andrew Carnegie to this city, scheduled for February 28th, has been postponed and the reason is alleged to be Mr. Carnegie's illness. Mr. Carnegie is now at Dungeness, his sister's Winter residence, on Cumberland Island near Fernandina. His indisposition is reported to be not at all serious. The dedication of the Carnegie library is to take place as soon as Mr. Carnegie is able to come to Atlanta.

John S. Wise has been telling some of the people he has been talking to lately in the North that Virginia's public men have deteriorated. If they take John S. as a sample, they probably agree with him.

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Advertisements in this Department bring good results. feb 14 tf

Strayed or Stolen—A six months old female setter puppy white with brown spots; answers to name of Flop. Any information leading to her recovery will be much appreciated by Ed. C. Craft, at J. W. Murchison & Co.'s Hardware store. feb 21 2t*

Wanted—Any person who will distribute samples for 3rd daily should address "Standard" 4 W. 11th, Chicago. Steady Position. No Canvassing. feb 21 1t*

Eggs—I have for sale choice settings of light Brahmas, barred Plymouth Rock White Wyandottes, Brown Leghorns and Black Minorcas all fine class stock. Per setting $1 00. D. S. Revell, City Hall. feb 21 6t

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b 18 tf F. W. DICK, Cashier.

STATEMENT OF

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

108 Princess Street.

At close of business Feb. 6th, 1903, (condensed from report to Corporation Commission.)

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 2 00	Capital	$ 25,000 00
Real estate	1,200 00	Deposits	1,001 979 86
Cash on hand and due from banks	100 479 57	Due to banks and bankers	5 000 75
Loans and Discounts	187,499 81	Profits, less exp. and taxes paid	50 809 77
Total	$1,094 391 38	Total	$1,094 89 3

H. WALTERS, Vice President.

J. W. NORWOOD, President.

C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

J. V. Grainger, J. W. Norwood, H. Walters, S. B. Rankin, H. L. Vollers, J. W. Yates, Donald MacRae, D. O'Connor.

feb 14 tf

THE ATLANTIC TRUST AND BANKING CO.,

Wilmington, N. C.

Report to the North Carolina Corporation Commission, February 6th, 1903.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$226,949 99	Capital Stock paid in	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	450 00	Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	7,125 86
Cash on hand. Due from Banks	4,662 14	Deposits subject to check	183 46 59
		Interest due depositors	1, 00 00
	$241,998 36		$241,998 36

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover—ss:

I, W. F. Allen, Cashier of the Atlantic Trust and Banking Co., do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. F. ALLEN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of February, 1903.

Directors—J. G. L. Nichols, L. B. Rogers, C. W. Yates.

feb 14 tf W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

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